## **Martin King**



**Martin King** is a highly qualified British Military Historian/Lecturer who's had the honour of reintroducing many US and British veterans to the WWII battlefields where they fought. He lives in Belgium near Antwerp where he spends his time writing and visiting European battlefields.

In 2008 he left his job as a lecturer in European history at the University of Antwerp to work as a Historical Consultant for *The History Channel*. He also chose to focus on researching and writing about individuals and the battlefields on which they served. He is frequently in demand by the US military and NATO for lectures and staff tours.

His activities came to the attention of some major military documentary makers in Hollywood. The *History Channel* hired Martin to be their Senior Historical Consultant on their hit series 'Cities of the Underworld'. He appears in the episode titled 'Hitler's Trenches'. Consequently Breakthrough Films Canada brought him in to present and work as their lead researcher on their series 'Greatest Tank Battles', one of the most watched military documentaries of the last ten years. Bafta award winning documentary makers WMR recently hired Martin to present 'Black Battalions' an episode from their series 'Narrow Escapes' currently airing on the Military Channel in the United States and the Discovery Channel in Europe.

His voluntary work with veterans and the tracing the individual histories of veterans, has been a labour of love for almost 20 years. He is frequently contacted by relatives attempting to find out what their family members did during World War Two. This usually involves extensive research and countless hours sifting through archives until the necessary results are attained. In 2011 he released the book 'Voices of the Bulge' co-written with his longtime friend Michael Collins to great critical acclaim. The ensuing publicity tour saw them presenting the book at West Point Military Academy, Valley Forge Military College, Fort Dix, USAF Spangdahlem and most Barnes and Noble stores between New York and Washington DC.

The same year his 6 year campaign on behalf of black nurse Augusta Chiwy finally yielded positive results when 67 years after the fact she was knighted by the King of Belgium and officially recognized by the US Army who presented her with the 'Civilian Humanitarian award'.

Martin speaks fluent German, Dutch, Italian and French.

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